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ALEPPO TEMPLE CEREMONIAL

MARCH 19
1927

ALEPPO TEMPLE

ANCIENT ARABIC ORDER NOBLES of the MYSTIC SHRINE
OASIS OF BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS

You are hereby cited to appear on the 15th day of the 9th
month Ramadan, 1345, meaning in our time

Saturday, March 19, 1927

Doors open at 5 P. M.

Mechanics Building, 99 Huntington Avenue, Boston
Gainsboro Street car stop

YOUR 1927 CARD, *pink in color*, is necessary for admission to this meeting; no
other color recognized. Recorder's Office, 206 Masonic Temple,
open until 4 P.M. the day of the meeting.

POSITIVELY NO DUES TAKEN AT THE DOOR

Business Meeting 6 P. M.

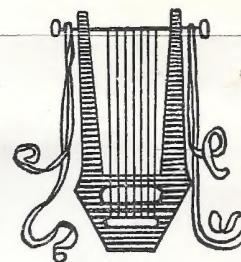
CANDIDATES report at West Newton Street Entrance at 5 P.M.

COLLATION SERVED FROM 5 P.M. TO 7 P.M.

CONCERT AT 5 P.M. BY THE ALEPPO TEMPLE BAND

Bandmaster, NOBLE THOMAS M. CARTER

1. MARCH — Duquesne Greys Jasper Hazen Ross
2. OVERTURE — The Mill on the Cliff C. G. Reissiger
3. WALTZ — Kroll's Ballklänge H. C. Lumbye
4. SELECTION — Boccaccio Franz von Suppe
5. { a. DANSE DES ANTILLES Jose Yznaga
b. JUBA R. Nathaniel Dett
6. IDYLLE — The Glow Worm Paul Lincke
7. MARCH — Hail to the Gorget. Dedicated to
Francis Hawks Appleton by Lloyd E. Appleton



Wm. C. Reilly
Recorder.

L. E. Appleton
Potentate.

Noble Chamberlain, 16 Stoneholm Street, opposite 112 Norway, near Loew State Theatre, says that any Noble on any
Meeting Night may use his 600 car Garage at a charge of 25 cents. Safety First.

THE POTENTATE'S MESSAGE

TO THE NOBILITY OF ALEPPO TEMPLE:

I am proud and happy to greet you as your Potentate.

My first official word is to thank you for the splendid and decisive vote that gave me this high office. It was a convincing proof of your fairness.

I now promise you the best service that I can give in a business-like administration.

We have — for good reasons — changed the location of the Shrine headquarters and established executive offices at the new Statler Building, (Rooms 720-722) Park Square, Boston, where we will be glad at all times to meet the Nobility.

There are no secrets to be kept from any member of Aleppo, so I shall be frank with you and ask you to be equally frank with me. Within the past year there was a condition brought about through whispered insinuations and unwarranted propaganda that might have created an unhealthy and unwholesome atmosphere within the organization and could have eventually wrecked the Temple.

I am now giving fair notice that if any member has anything to say about the Temple or its affairs and will come to me he shall have a just hearing, and should there be some things in this body to be corrected your Potentate wishes to know about it and will put his hand to the wheel.

If this opportunity is not accepted I now caution those members who have deliberately or inadvertently circulated irresponsible statements to forever hold their peace or be prepared to have charges brought against them, for I will not knowingly permit one thing to go unchallenged that is detrimental to the future of our beloved Aleppo.

I shall use my time in an endeavor to constructively raise our splendid Temple to greater and greater heights. I know that I can do this only through your co-operation, which I now most earnestly seek.

We shall try to make the ceremonials both interesting and entertaining. The first section we hope to have exemplify the dignity and impressiveness of the ritual. In its proper place in the second section there will be an abundance of clean fun. If the Nobles will keep this distinction in mind it will help to bring it about.

Be good enough to realize that all of the units that work on the floor, or serve you in any capacity, are made up of Nobles who cheerfully give a great deal of time and effort in preparing for their part in the ceremonials. They will be quick to recognize your appreciation and to respond to your encouragement.

At every ceremonial we have many visiting Nobles. Make it your business to seek them out and to extend to them a cordial greeting.

All appointees of my predecessor on the General Divan are relieved from their assignments with thanks for their past services. The General Divan for 1927 will be announced at an early date.

Attention is called to the provision in the Imperial Code that prohibits other than the black tassel being worn on the Fez, except by the uniformed bodies. This rule must be observed.

Yours in the True Faith,



Potentate.

SHRINERS' HOSPITAL COMPLETES TWO YEARS OF CURING CRIPPLES

Local Institution Has Cared for 449 Cases—Discharged 388 Patients—Waiting List of 313—
Need of Convalescent Building to Increase Service

THE NEW ENGLAND unit, Shriners' hospital for crippled children, was opened February 21, 1925. As of January 1, 1927, there were 313 children who had been examined, who were reported upon favorably for admission, but who were awaiting admission because every hospital bed was in use. This same condition prevailing throughout the chain of hospitals inspired in the February number of the "Shrine Magazine" the following editorial:

"The task of straightening the limbs of the crippled children of this continent may seem to us herculean, a mere dream. There may be no end to this Shrine task we have undertaken. It may seem too idealistic for this practical world.

"No effort which looks toward the betterment of human conditions is wasted. No work done for the benefit of humanity is wasted. No idealism with the object of adding to human happiness can fail.

"Let us water and nourish carefully this seed which has sprouted in the Shrine and grown into the children's hospitals scattered across the continent. Let us cling close to this idealism even though our results seem small compared to the total of human suffering. The day will come when all this idealism will crystallize into an accomplishment which will make the historian see in our efforts an elevation of civilization as a whole."

AVERAGE STAY HERE 65.8 DAYS

The task is greater than was anticipated, but the Shrine is carrying on. The children who are being admitted in Springfield today are those whose applications were approved nearly a year ago. The average stay per patient throughout the chain is 80 days, and so far in Springfield has been 65.8 days—the average cost incidentally is \$4.15 per patient per day. The pressure upon the local unit has moved the doctors and board of governors to study their problem much as a factory production problem might be handled. Their search is ever for increased efficiency and for means of shortening the stay of the patient. More than half of the local cases are due to infantile paralysis and require an unusual amount of nursing care, physiotherapy and time. If the hospital were filled with these cases alone the whole procession would be slowed up and the costs would mount—as a result these cases are admitted in a ratio kept a little below half the total.

Also by careful planning a new patient is admitted the same day a "cure" is discharged. The time for recuperation must of necessity slow up the work; a child may have been operated upon and subsequently require considerable care, but from the surgeon's standpoint may be considered a complete cure. Nevertheless a new patient cannot be admitted until the old has departed. In certain cases, however, local families have temporarily adopted the patient and periodically presented him at the outpatient department, until full correction has been accomplished and the "straight child" sent home a finished job.

COURSE OF TREATMENT

Sometimes this course of treatments at the outpatient department will extend over a year's time. If the local unit could have a strictly convalescent building of 100 beds (cost about \$200,000), the total operating costs would be only slightly increased and the output of the unit would be jumped from 200 to 600 patients yearly. The cases to date and the present waiting list represent what might be called spontaneous applications; no request has been made to such organizations as the Salvation Army or the Visiting Nurse association that they report cases that come under their observations. George M. Hendee believes the potential waiting list is over 1,000. The only conditions of admission are that the child be not over 14 years old, be of normal mentality, be judged capable of material improvements, and be of parents unable to pay for proper medical and surgical treatment. There is absolutely no charge of any nature whatsoever. It is surprising that many rejections are because the parents are upon investigation found to be able to pay for proper treatment elsewhere.

Statistics covering the period from February 21, 1925, to January 1, 1927, show: Total applications, 1235; admitted, 439; discharged, 388; in the hospital, 81. In addition 172 who have not been bed patients are being treated at the outpatient department. In the month of December there were 653 visits to this outpatient ward; to January 1, 1927, the total of such visits was 7848. In regular hospital routine 28 operations were performed in December, or a total of 550 to January 1, from date of opening.

The imperial board of trustees, in charge of the whole chain, is composed of successful business men who appreciate the need of utmost in efficiency, and this board has stirred up the keenest rivalry among the local boards of governors, who are jealous of their respective showings of cost and output. The chairman of each local board submits monthly detailed statements and statistics; these are compiled in deadly parallel whereon each board can see at a glance wherein it is making a better or poorer showing than the next. Springfield stands high according to these comparative statistics and is away in the lead in the scope of its outpatient work.

OTHER TROUBLES CORRECTED

The patients who are admitted for malformation, say club feet, are nevertheless corrected of any other ailments: Improper nourishment, teeth, tonsils, what you will. The members of the dental staff are deserving of particular mention for the time they gladly contribute weekly in the fully equipped dental operating room at the hospital. It is evident that a considerable number of people are co-operating to carry on such a volume of work.

HOSPITAL STAFF

Dr. R. Nelson Hatt is chief surgeon. Dr. W. M. Roberts is house doctor; the orthopedic surgeons are Dr. Garry de N. Hough, Jr., Dr. Edward Katz and Dr. Harry R. Wheat. The consulting staff is as follows:

Pathology—Dr. George L. Schadt.
Roentgenology—Dr. Ernest L. Davis.
Surgeons—Dr. John M. Birnie, Dr. Ralph H. Seelye, Dr. Frederick B. Sweet, Dr. William A. R. Chapin, Dr. Frederick S. Hopkins, Dr. Roswell G. Mace.
Neurological surgeon—Dr. Frederick S. Hagler.
Medical—Dr. William B. Adams, Dr. George L. Steele.
Otolaryngology—Dr. William Goodell, Dr. George F. Dalton, Dr. Colin M. Holmes, Dr. W. J. Wiese.

Ophthalmology—Dr. Ralph Carleton, Dr. Perley A. Hoyt.
Urology—Dr. Ira N. Kilburn, Dr. James A. Seaman, Dr. Winfred O. Wilder.

Neurologist—Dr. Harold C. Goodwin.
Dermatology—Dr. David E. Harriman.
The dental staff includes Dr. Harold I. Fiske, Dr. Ralph Connell, Dr. Albert C. Rock, Dr. Carleton F. Pooler.

Miss Ruth H. Cummer is hospital superintendent, Miss Harriet M. Griffin, assistant superintendent; Miss Joan Wentholt and Miss Constance Proctor are ward supervisors; Miss Gertrude Fleming is night supervisor; and Miss Lulu B. Hallett is anesthetist.

Miss Alice E. Mowett is physiotherapist, Miss Mildred Motter is X-ray and laboratory technician; and to complete the list, the Springfield City school committee is represented by Mrs. Evelyn R. Main to carry on the education of the children while in the hospital.

The Rotary Club of Springfield has been keenly interested in the hospital from the beginning. The club itself made several sizable contributions and then realizing that many individuals of modest means wanted to contribute, opened up membership in its penny-a-day Sunshine Club for the Shriners' hospital to anyone, member or non-member of Rotary. This Sunshine Club has extended all over New England, and as originally planned, provides clothes, comforts and railroad fares to patients. In addition the club realized the importance of the work of Mrs. Main as "school teacher" and of the activities of the Junior Achievement foundation, and in consequence provided a recreational building at a cost of about \$12,000 which adjoins the east wing and is in constant use.

About \$25,000 has been willed to the Springfield unit with different provisions, but in general in trust, proceeds to be used for operating expenses. George M. Hendee, chairman of the board of governors, is frequently questioned as to how legacies may be willed. In brief, it may be stated that the Springfield unit is a Massachusetts corporation and that the board of governors is perpetual, being appointed by the imperial board of trustees.

Many individuals, some Shriners and some not, secure a great deal of satisfaction and pleasure in providing automobile transportation for out-of-town patients arriving and departing and for the little visitors to the outpatient department. The members of the Maclub of Springfield particularly are active in this work.

There are now nine hospitals and four "mobile units" with a capacity of 630 beds. The imperial board of trustees plans the next three units for Richmond, Va., Pittsburgh, Pa., and somewhere in central or western New York State, also an additional mobile unit at Lexington, Ky.

The movement is supported by annual assessments upon the members of the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. As of March 31, 1926, total net receipts amounted to \$6,799,695, all of which had been expended except about \$888,000. At that date the Springfield unit had cost \$88,050.01 for operating expenses and \$537,077.09 for real estate, buildings and equipment.

The capacity of the local hospital is 60 beds; in December the average daily number of patients was 60.03, which speaks well for the efficiency and activity of the unit. A question often asked is "What causes these malformations?" Of the present 60 little sufferers, their afflictions are classified as follows: Infantile paralysis, 26; tuberculosis, nine; rachitis, one; congenital, 10; obstetrical, two; spastic, four; miscellaneous, eight.

SEE THEM AND REJOICE

No one can gather from facts and figures what is really being done. A visit to the youngsters not only touches the heart but makes one rejoice with them over the fact that they are to be made straight. You should see the children run to Dr. Hatt and throw their arms about his knees in welcome; you should sit with Miss Mower who will carefully adjust a youngster in a head gear to hang with feet off the floor for 10 or 15 minutes to straighten a twisted back, and then to turn to another tiny leg or arm to manipulate or to retouch muscle control.

The board of governors of the New England unit consists of George M. Hendee, chairman; Harry H. Caswell, vice-chairman; Charles A. Frazer, secretary-treasurer; Alvin H. Phillips, Fred C. Smith, Fred R. Brown, Henry L. Bowles, Charles H. Beckwith, and John A. Webster, Potentate of Melha Temple.

James J. Davis, Secretary of Labor, is a member of the Shrine, and of many other fraternal orders. In an article in the New York Herald of February 13, he said in part: "I remember visiting also a hospital maintained by another fraternal organization where there was a little girl whose parents had been told that she never could walk. The child, then eight or ten years old, had grown up in that conviction and was resigned to her fate. Her entire short life had been spent in bed, or, at its best, in a wheel chair. She had gone to the hospital for an operation pluckily, but still not daring to hope.

"When I was at the institution the operation had been performed successfully, and the child, recovered from the shock, was about to put her feet on the floor and her weight upon them for the first time in her life. I never shall forget that radiant little face as she found that her legs supported her and that she really could take a few tottering steps before clutching at a chair for assistance.

"Such hospitals and the schools which have been established with the funds at the disposal of the great fraternal organizations of the country continually are absorbing the crippled children, the ill-nourished children of the country and the children who through poverty or the remoteness of their homes otherwise would be doomed to ignorance all their lives long. From these hospitals, homes and schools comes pouring steadily into the life of the nation a stream of vigorous, intelligent youth, completely ready in every respect to mingle with the current of life.

"It is largely due to such activities on the part of fraternities, I believe, that the half-million neglected children of the country gradually are decreasing in numbers. It is from this stagnant, slowly shrinking reservoir, statistics show, that 80 per cent of the next generation's criminals will step. We fraternalists believe, quite apart from the humanitarianism in our program of relief, that it is infinitely better to spend millions to check this flow of potential criminality at the source, than to be compelled later to put the money into penal institutions."

The Shriners express the purpose of the work as "turning liabilities into assets."—(Reprint from the Springfield Republican.)

The following officers were elected at the annual meeting held on January 14, 1927:

Potentate, FRANCIS H. APPLETON
 Chief Rabban, SAMUEL C. L. HASKELL
 Assistant Rabban, ROY A. FAYE
 High Priest and Prophet, JAMES S. BLAKE
 Oriental Guide, ALMON E. GREENLEAF
 Recorder, BENJAMIN W. ROWELL

Treasurer, JOSEPH W. WORK
 Trustee of the Permanent Fund (for 3 years),
 FRANK L. NAGLE
 Representatives to the Imperial Council,
 FRANCIS H. APPLETON,
 SAMUEL C. L. HASKELL, FRED E. BOLTON

The following appointments are announced:

First Ceremonial Master, CLARENCE J. MCKENZIE
 Second Ceremonial Master, FRANK A. NORTH
 Assistant Recorder, WALTER W. MORRISON
 Orator, EDWIN H. DYER
 Chief Marshal, FRED E. BOLTON

Assistant Marshal, CLARENCE W. KNOWLTON
 Director Emeritus, CLAREDON E. HOLMAN
 Director, WALTER E. KNIGHT
 Associate Director, WILLIAM L. CUMMINGS
 Chief Steward, HENRY B. PERKINS

MORE OR LESS FUNNY

What Do You Know? Can You Do as Well?

WHY MOTOR ACCIDENTS INCREASE
 Answers in the exams for drivers' licenses in
 New York

Q. If your engine stalls going up hill, what do you do?
 A. Try and start it.

Q. In letting the car stand, which side should be next to the curbing?
 A. The side that is nearest the sidewalk.

Q. What should you do if the steering gear broke?
 A. Go to the nearest garage and have the man fix it.

Q. Which has the right of way, a car on a main thoroughfare or a car on a bisecting street when they approach?
 A. The one that gets there first.

Q. What is the first rule of the road?
 A. Don't run into anything.

Q. What is the proper precaution to take when backing your car?
 A. Reverse your engine.

Q. What is the accelerator?
 A. The name of something that has something to do with something inside the car.

Q. What is the charging indicator?
 A. Your bill for garage, gas and oil.

Q. Where should you have your license number?
 A. On your car.

Q. What is meant by "short circuit?"
 A. Going around the shortest way.

Q. When the batteries run out, what must you do?
 A. Get them back or get new ones.

Q. What is a coral?
 A. A Christmas song.

Q. What was the Diet of Worms?
 A. Weeds, grass and dirt.

Q. What is the chief export commodity of Canada?
 A. Don't make me laugh — Scotch.

Q. What is a centaur?
 A. A hundred years.

Q. Who wrote Lorna Doone?
 A. The income tax people.

Q. What was the Tweed Ring?
 A. A belt made of tweed by Scotch tailors.

Q. Who purchased New York from the Indians in 1626?
 A. Buffalo Bill.

Q. How do kangaroos carry their young?
 A. Very well.

Q. What is an Islam?
 A. A neck of land joining two bodies.

Q. In what game is a "pawn" used?
 A. One where you use three balls.

Q. What is the Tyrol?
 A. A very cross man who makes everybody knuckle down.

Q. What is Scotland Yard?
 A. Two feet, eleven inches.

Q. What is a "common carrier?"
 A. A buzzard.

Q. What was the "South Sea Bubble?"
 A. A fox trot.

Q. What is a "fjord?"
 A. The tin you love to hush—ha! ha!

Q. What is the Bronx?
 A. Orange juice and gin.

Q. What is a bittern?
 A. A cold day.

Q. What is a group of different atoms called?
 A. Bolsheviks.

Q. Who composed "Robin Hood?"
 A. Douglas Fairbanks.

Q. Who wrote "The Raven?"
 A. John McCullough.

Q. What is a hangar?
 A. A thing to hang your coat on.

Q. What is a "statute of limitation?"
 A. Liberty.

Q. What is peat?
 A. A man's first name.

Q. What are sponges?
 A. Cheap skates.

Q. What was Flanders?
 A. A Hotel.

Q. Who was Horace Mann?
 A. A Keystone comedian.

Q. What is manna?
 A. Spanish word for "tomorrow."

Q. Who wrote "Jurgin?"
 A. Jim Tully.

"Bob" McLeod, the genial traffic officer corner Boylston and Tremont, tells the following: When the lights mean go he calls out: "Pedestrians cross now." Noting a man who waited a half hour he inquired why he waited so long, and he replied he was waiting for him to call out when the Catholics could cross.

IT PAYS TO ADVERTISE

The truth of the adage, "It pays to advertise," was emphasized in a novel form recently by Noble Gardner Poole, vice-president of the Quincy Market Cold Storage and Warehouse Company, one of the great authorities on the fishing industry, in contrasting before the Schoolmaster's Club the popularity of eggs and poultry compared with fish as food. It was in rhyme, which read:

"A codfish lays a million eggs,
 While the helpful hen lays one.
 But the codfish does not cackle
 To inform you what she's done.

"And so we scorn the codfish,
 The helpful hen we prize,
 Which indicates to thoughtful minds,
 It pays to advertise."

Roy Faye says: "If brevity is the soul of mirth" then the girls' dresses are very, very funny.

In Memoriam



*Passed within the Unseen Temple
since our last meeting*

9947	HARRY GRANT BAGLEY 23 Rockdale Ave., Peabody, Mass.	1114	SIMON GOLDSMITH 397 Marlboro St., Boston, Mass.	2172	BENJAMIN F. RIDDELL Fall River, Mass.
7283	FREDERICK NEWTON BEALS, 36 High St., Medford, Mass.	9784-L	ALEXANDER M. HALL 4 Imrie Rd., Allston, Mass.	16061	WILLIAM BOOTH SCOTT 105 East Main St., Orange, Mass.
9176	CHARLES A. BRIGHAM 20 Concord Ave., Boston, Mass.	8884	CHAS. F. C. HENDERSON 15 Hawthorne Ave., Cambridge, Mass.	10459	WILLIAM A. SHAFER 237 Bimini Place, Los Angeles, Calif.
273	SAMUEL F. BUFFUM North Hanover, Mass.	18093	RALPH D. HOOD 31 Hawthorne St., Bradford, Mass.	14549	QUINCY RANDALL STETSON 83 Pleasant St., Clinton, Mass.
13816	JAMES COLE Care American Trust Co., Boston, Mass.	9604	LOUIS LAZARUS ISRAEL 57 Cutler St., Worcester, Mass.	2409-L	ORRA C. STRAW 398 High St., Dedham, Mass.
22149	WALTER W. CLIFFORD 52 Milton Ave., Hyde Park, Mass.	9421	EDWARD FERDINAND KAKAS 364 Boylston St., Boston, Mass.	15407	DUANE WHITE 332 A St., Boston, Mass.
6949	HOLLIS ELLSWORTH DENNEN 411 Moody St., Waltham, Mass.	8211	RUPERT WILLIAM KNIGHT 79 Milk St., Boston, Mass.	14666	FRED MYRON WHEELER 22 Howe St., Orange, Mass.
14942	ARTHUR HENRY DOBBIN 116 Main St., Marlboro, Mass.	12384	WILLIAM ALEXANDER LEVIS 430 E. 5th St., So. Boston, Mass.	14683	JOSEPH LAFAYETTE WILLIAMS 19 Belcher St., Winthrop, Mass.
3089	FRANK A. FALES Norwood, Mass.	19017	CHARLES C. MANN 7 Congress St., Stoneham, Mass.	4731	DAVID DANA WOODBURY 265 Broadway, Methuen, Mass.
13300	PLINY BAXTER FISKE Byron, N. Y.	9801	DELBERT W. NORTHROP 179 Lincoln St., Boston, Mass.	4969	EVERETT JOSEPH YOUNG 20 Brooks Pk., Medford, Mass.

WARNING

MR. BENJAMIN W. ROWELL, *Recorder*,
Aleppo Temple, 206 Masonic Temple,
Boston, Mass.

My dear Recorder:

An individual representing himself as E. P. Armstrong, a member of Sphinx Temple, has obtained possession of Eugene P. Armstrong's Shrine pass card No. 1354, and is using same to impose on the Nobility by use of fraudulent checks and loans, also to obtain credit.

All Nobles are warned against this individual.

Yours in the Faith,

OTIS J. HART,
Recorder Sphinx Temple.

February 9, 1927.

DESCRIPTION

The best we have is that this man is about 6 ft. in height, about 190 lbs. in weight, dark shifty eyes, wore dark clothes a bit shabby, dark shoes, a bit rough in his speech. He also had a 1926 card in the name of Fuller, Beattyville, Ky., and a member of Oleika Temple of Lexington.